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## REPLY TO MONTCLAIR OFFICE

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## LETTER-MOTION, ON CONSENT, FOR BRIEF CONTINUANCE OF CONFERENCE DATE

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Hon. Naomi Reice Buchwald, Senior U.S.D.J. Moynihan United States Courthouse 500 Pearl Street New York, N.Y. 10007

Re: United States v. Carlos Estevez-Gonzalez, 19-cr-00123 (NRB)

Dear Judge Buchwald:

I write, respectfully, with the consent of the United States, to seek an approximately 40-day continuance of the presently-scheduled September 1, 2020 status conference. I am specifically requesting that the Court re-set the conference for a convenient date and time during the first week of October. I will consent to the exclusion of time pursuant to the Speedy Trial Act. The Government consents to this request.

In support of this request, I note that the Court only recently (August 3) substituted me into this case and I am still early in the process of acquiring and reviewing discovery and the prior history of this litigation. The pandemic-related shutdown of MCC has made it impossible for me to meet with my new client, although we have had one telephone call. Thus, additional time is needed for me to participate meaningfully in any status conference.

Your Honor's time and attention to this matter are appreciated.

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Request granted. The status conference is adjourned to October 14, 2020 at 10:30 a.m. Speedy trial time is excluded through that date. 18 U.S.C. § 3161(h)(7)(A).

Respectfully yours, /s/ David A. Ruhnke
David A. Ruhnke

SO ORDERED.

NAOMI REICE BUCHWALD
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

Dated: August 24, 2020